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After an alien attack on a fishing vessel in the Skagerrak Strait, Captain Jack and his Torchwood operatives aboard the alien tech-filled ship the *Ice Maiden* have uncovered a plot by the alien Navigators to harvest the Earth. A mysterious stowaway, Rona, proved to be a plant-based copy of the real Rona, whose scientist father was working for the Navigators. The answers as to what the Navigators want lie in the past of former Time Agents Jack and Captain John Hart when they battled the Vervoids on the planet Mogar...

CAST OF CHARACTERS

New to this story and want to know who's who? Let us fill you in on the main players among Torchwood's agents and their enemies...

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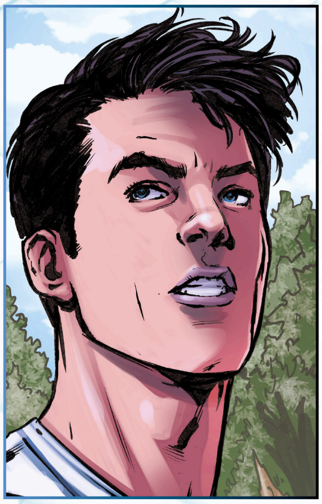
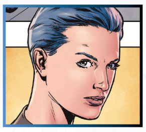


CAPTAIN JACK HARKNESS

Immortal former Time Agent from the 51st Century, and ex-companion of the Doctor. More recently the long-time head of Torchwood Cardiff.

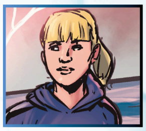
GWEN COOPER

Acting head of Torchwood Cardiff, and former police officer. Married to Rhys Williams, and the mother of Anwen. Drawn back into the world of Torchwood after the attack in the Skagerrak Strait.



SHELLEY

The *Ice Maiden*'s A.I avatar, with a personality based on that of the 19th-Century author Mary Shelley. Created by the ship's captain, Dana MacLeish, she keeps the Ice Maiden running, but can be difficult to manage...



DANA MACLEISH

The *Ice Maiden*'s captain, and all-round mystery woman. Bearer of a mysterious tattoo on her back. Recently played a part in the capture of Captain John Hart.

HOLLIS

Crewmember of the *Ice Maiden*. Weapons specialist and current lover of Captain Jack Harkness. Recently recovered from an attack by Lady Karina...

VLAD

An ex-convict, and Russian by birth, Vlad is a valued member of the *Ice Maiden* crew, and captains the ship in Dana's absence. Recently participated in the capture of Captain John Hart.

RONA

Mysterious stowaway accidentally brought on board the *Ice Maiden*. Actually the daughter of a scientist, Colum, who is working for the Navigators, and created a crucible in her form...

LADY KARINA

Second wife of Sir James Sterling, and Lady of Torchwood House. Actually an intergalactic con artist from the Gelidus galaxy with telekinetic powers. Travels in a would-be 'TARDIS,' and sought the astrolabe, which she hoped to give to the Navigators. Imprisoned on the *Ice Maiden*. For now, at least.

CAPTAIN JOHN HART

Former Time Agent from the 51st Century turned intergalactic rogue. Ex-lover and Time Agent partner of Captain Jack Harkness. Currently released from Torchwood custody to help them against the Navigators.

This volume takes place after the *Torchwood* novel 'The Exodus Code' and volume one of the comic series, 'World Without End.'

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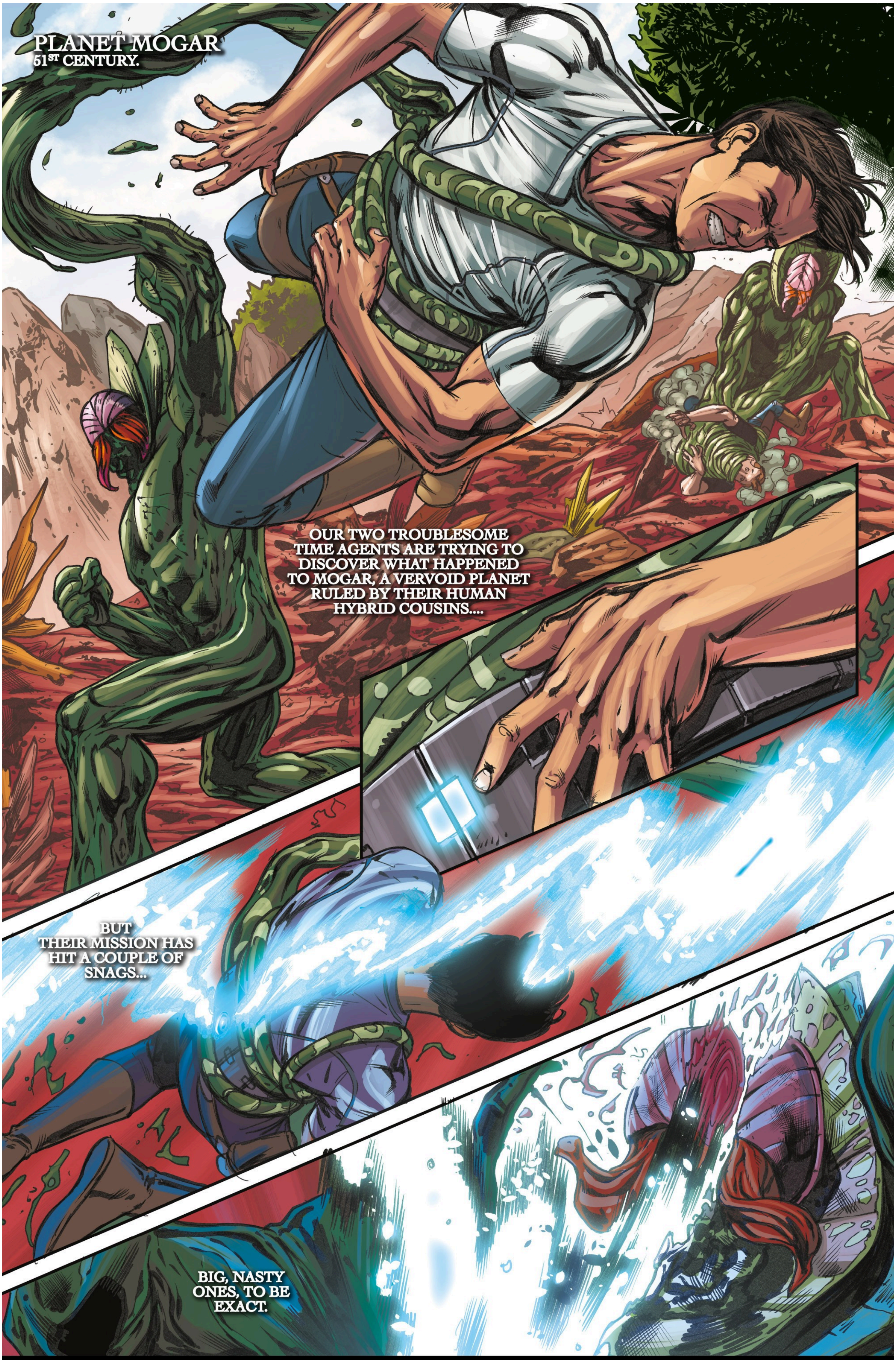
PLANET MOGAR
51ST CENTURY.
OUR TWO TROUBLESOME TIME AGENTS ARE TRYING TO DISCOVER WHAT HAPPENED TO MOGAR, A VERVOID PLANET RULED BY THEIR HUMAN HYBRID COUSINS....
BUT THEIR MISSION HAS HIT A COUPLE OF SNAGS...
BIG, NASTY ONES, TO BE EXACT.

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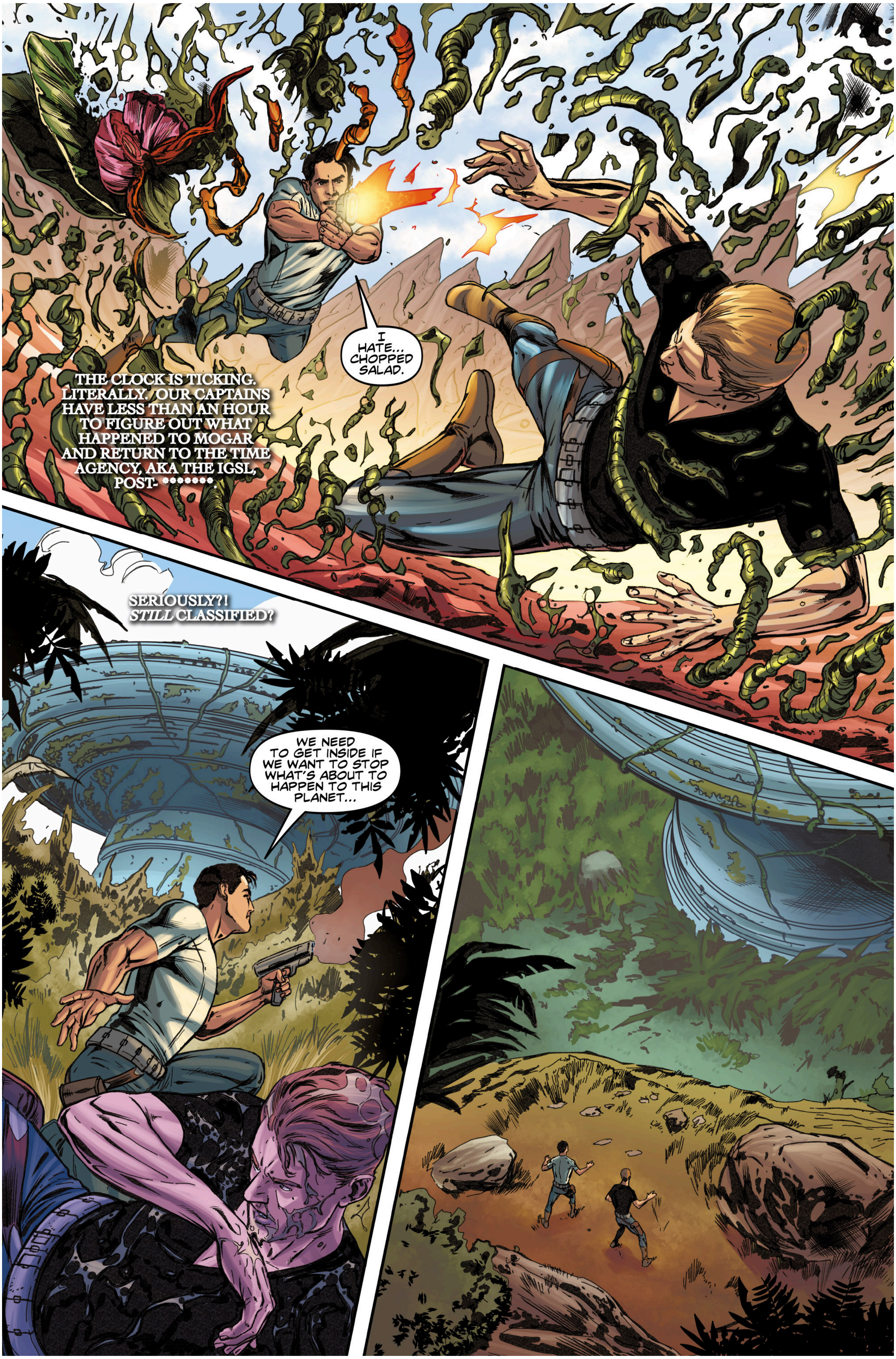
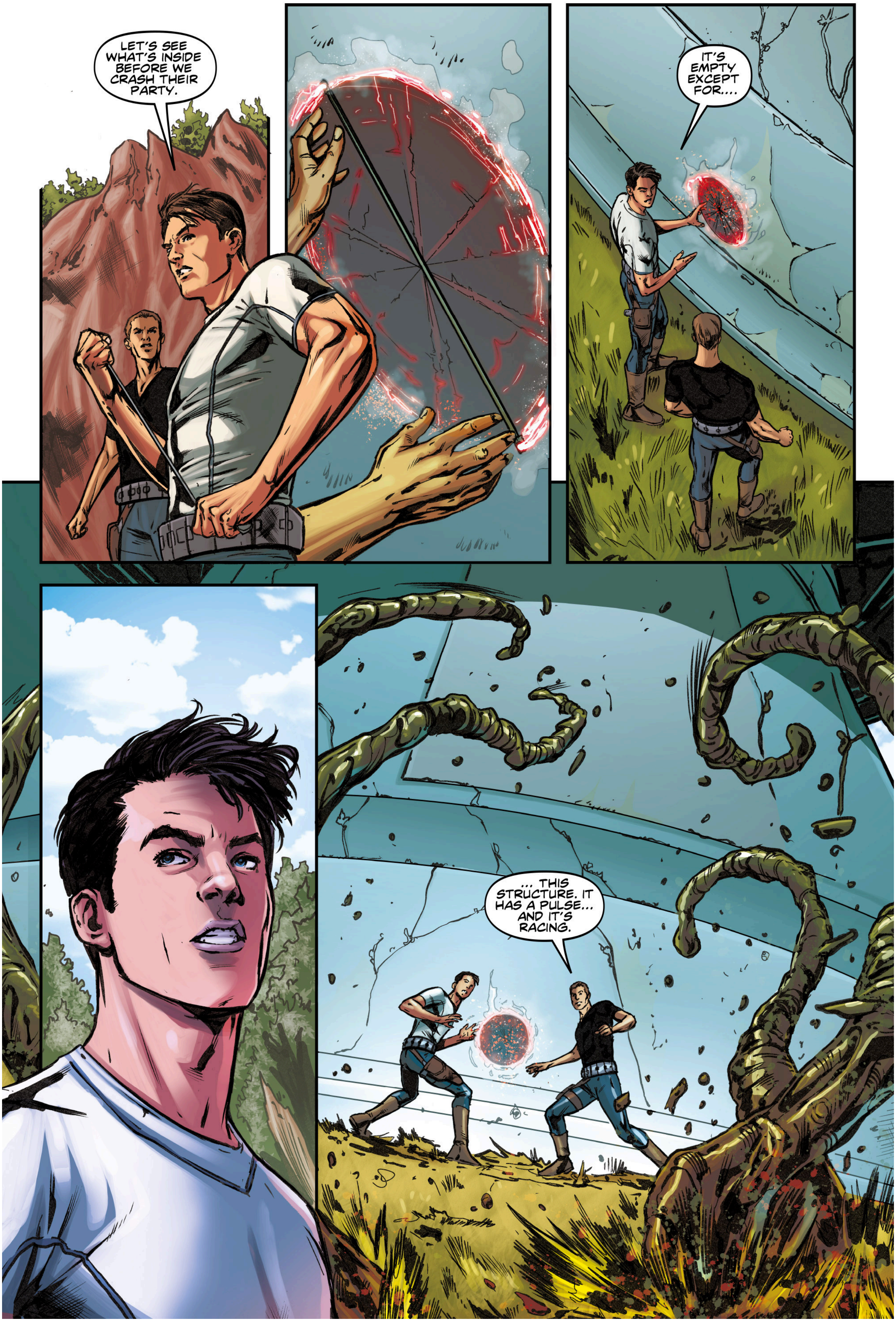
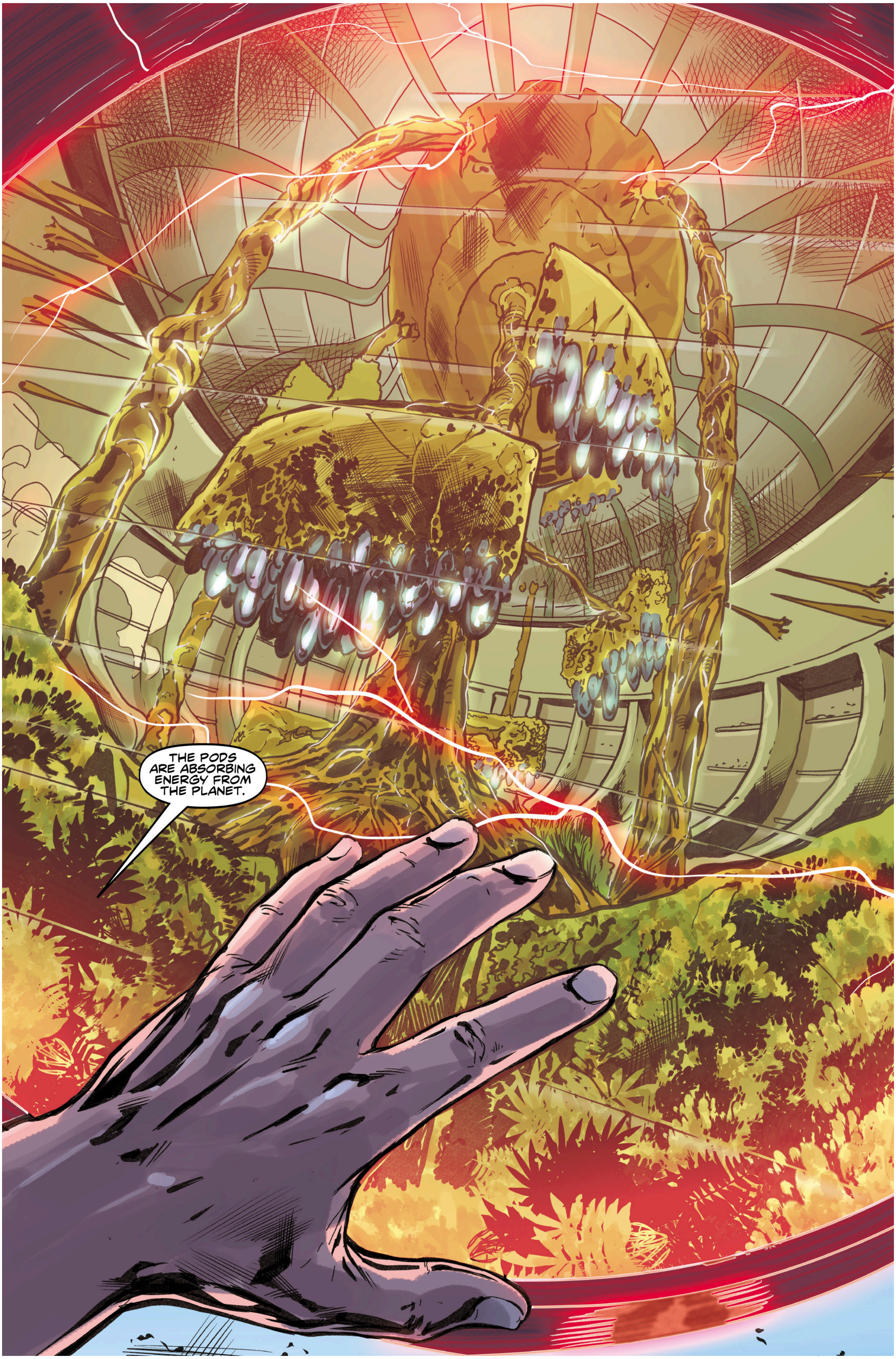
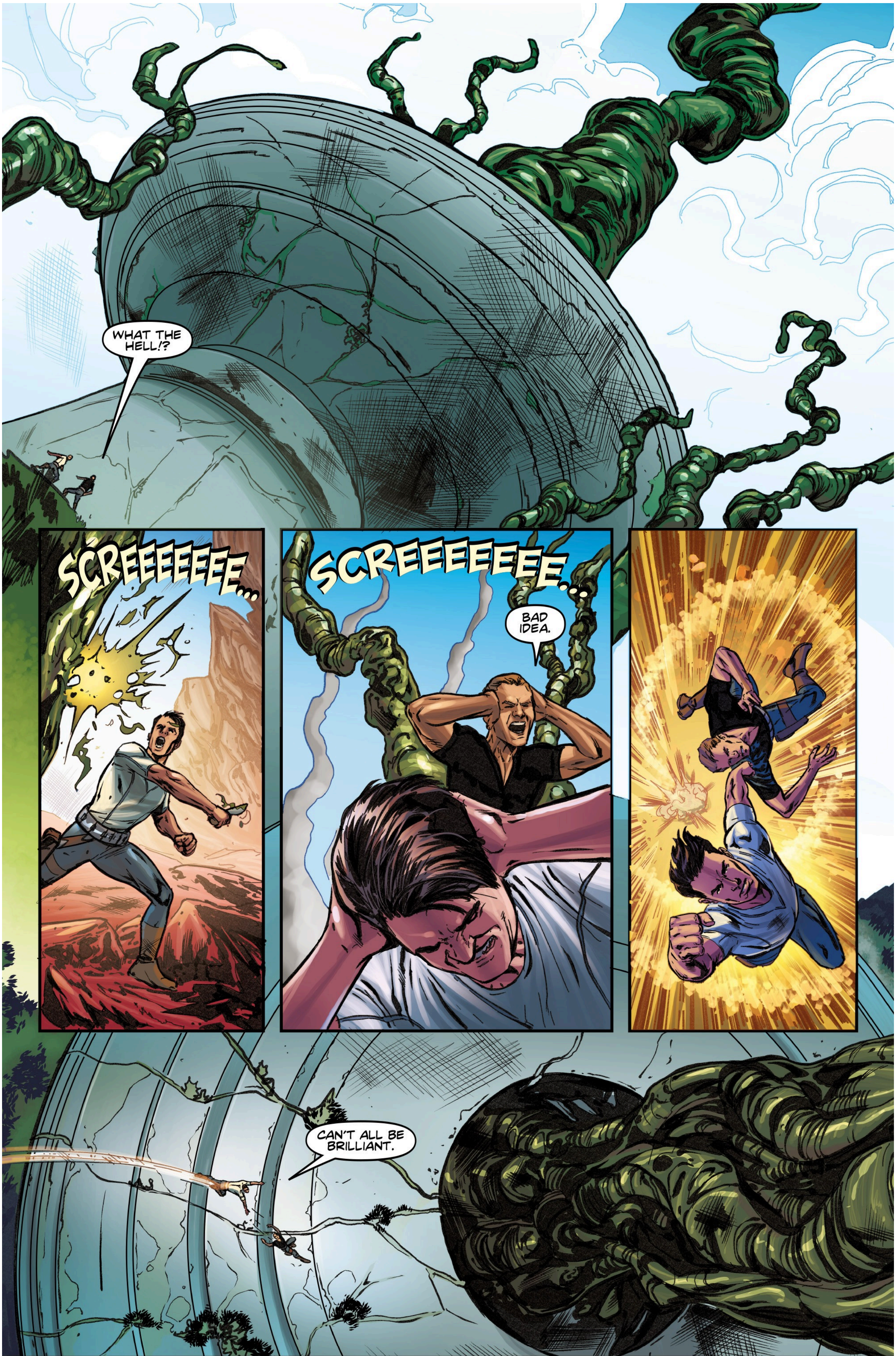

THE CLOCK IS TICKING. LITERALLY. OUR CAPTAINS HAVE LESS THAN AN HOUR TO FIGURE OUT WHAT HAPPENED TO MOGAR AND RETURN TO THE TIME AGENCY, AKA THE IGSL, POST- *******.
I HATE... CHOPPED SALAD.
SERIOUSLY?! *STILL* CLASSIFIED?
WE NEED TO GET INSIDE IF WE WANT TO STOP WHAT'S ABOUT TO HAPPEN TO THIS PLANET...


LET'S SEE WHAT'S INSIDE BEFORE WE CRASH THEIR PARTY.
IT'S EMPTY EXCEPT FOR....
... THIS STRUCTURE. IT HAS A PULSE... AND IT'S RACING.


THE PODS ARE ABSORBING ENERGY FROM THE PLANET.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SCREEEEEEE...
SCREEEEEEEE...
BAD IDEA.
CAN'T ALL BE BRILLIANT.

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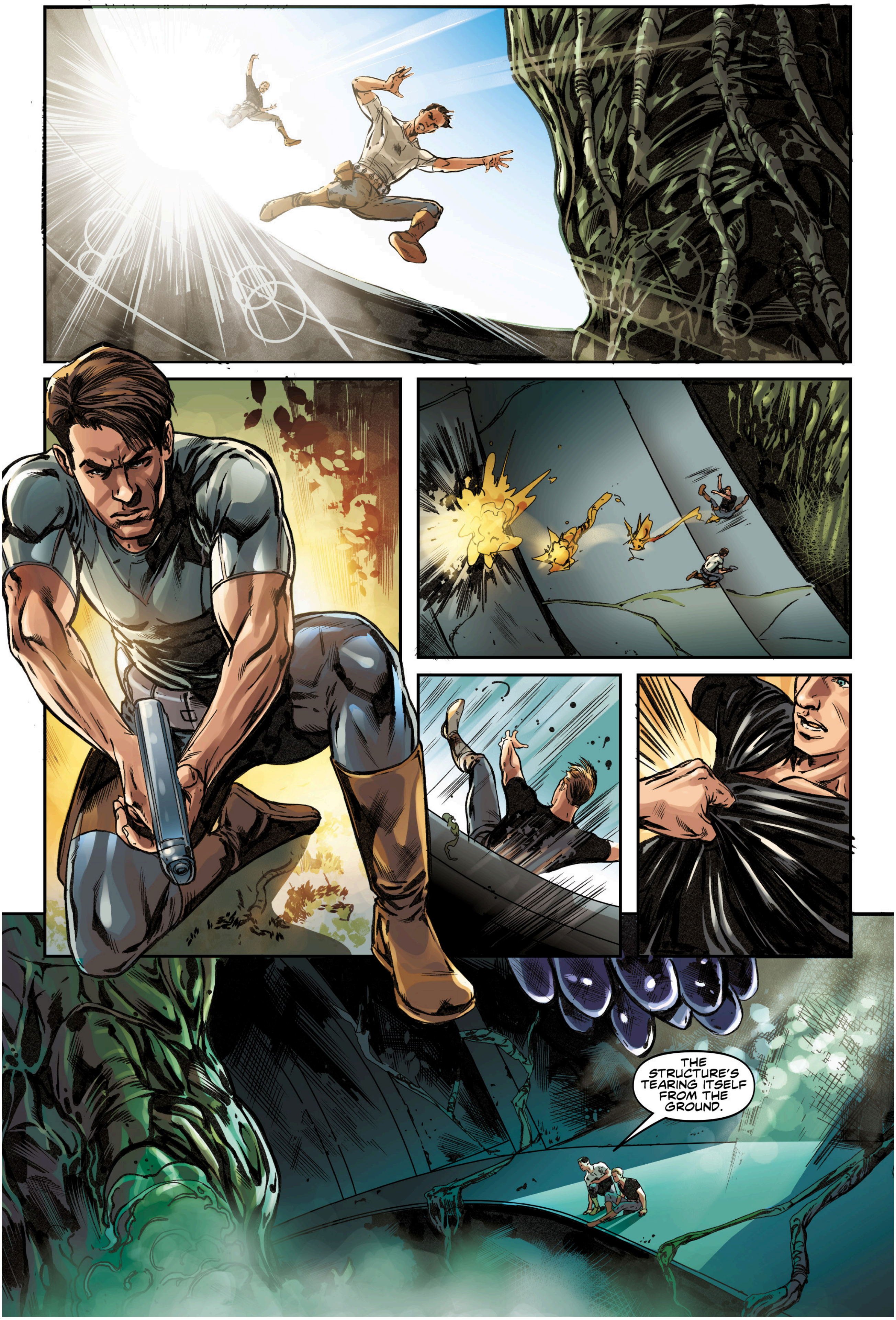
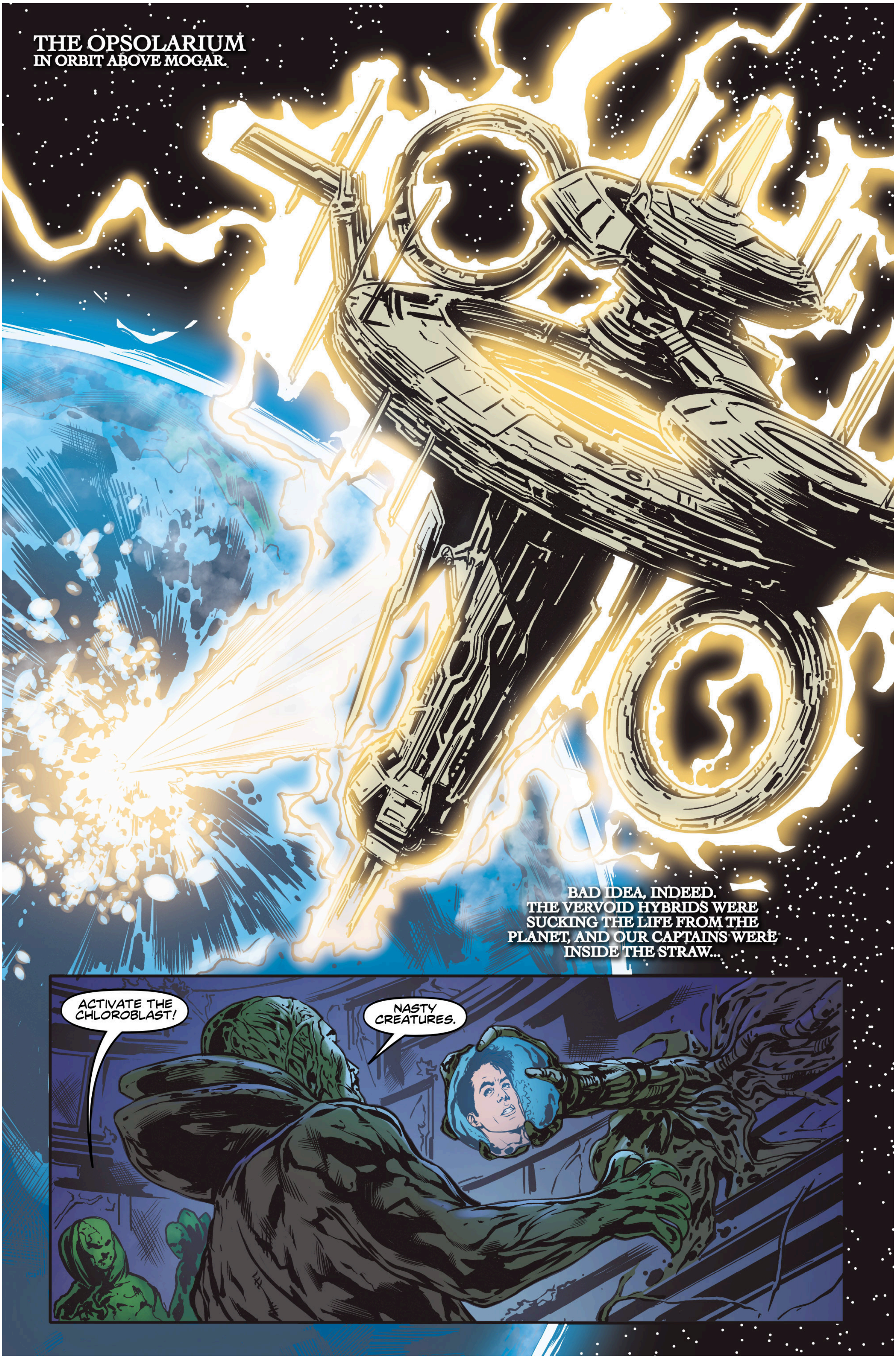
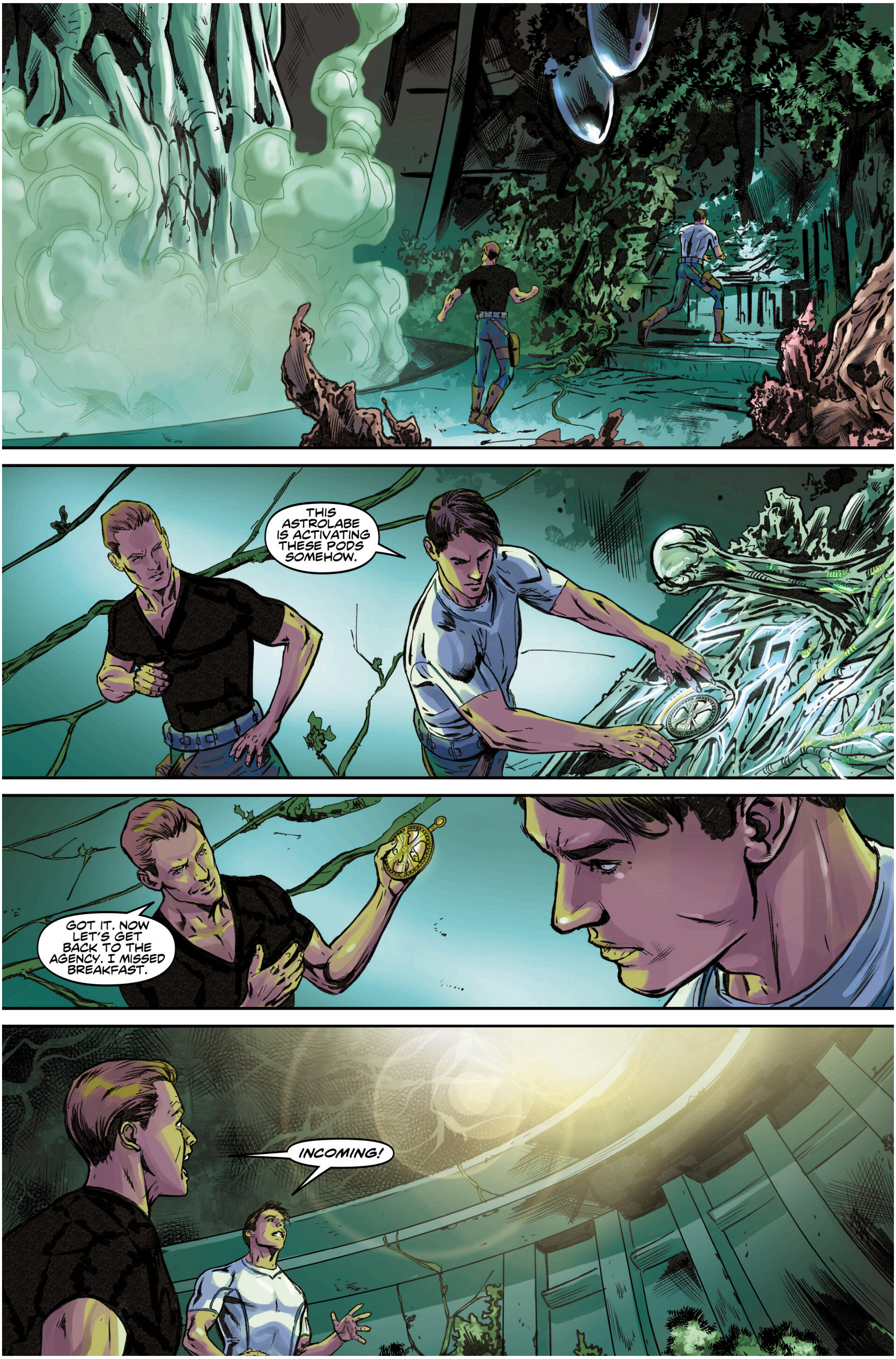
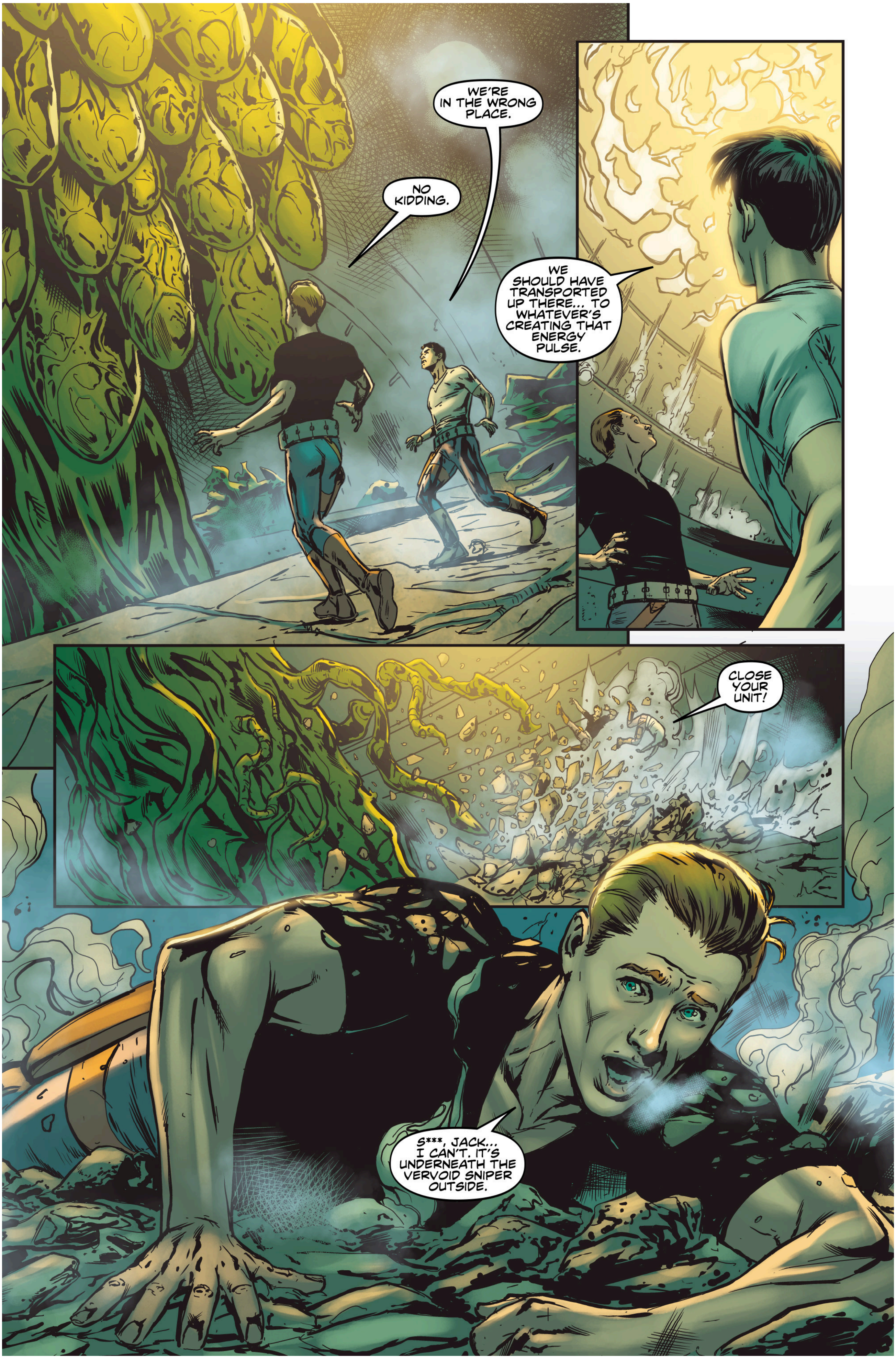
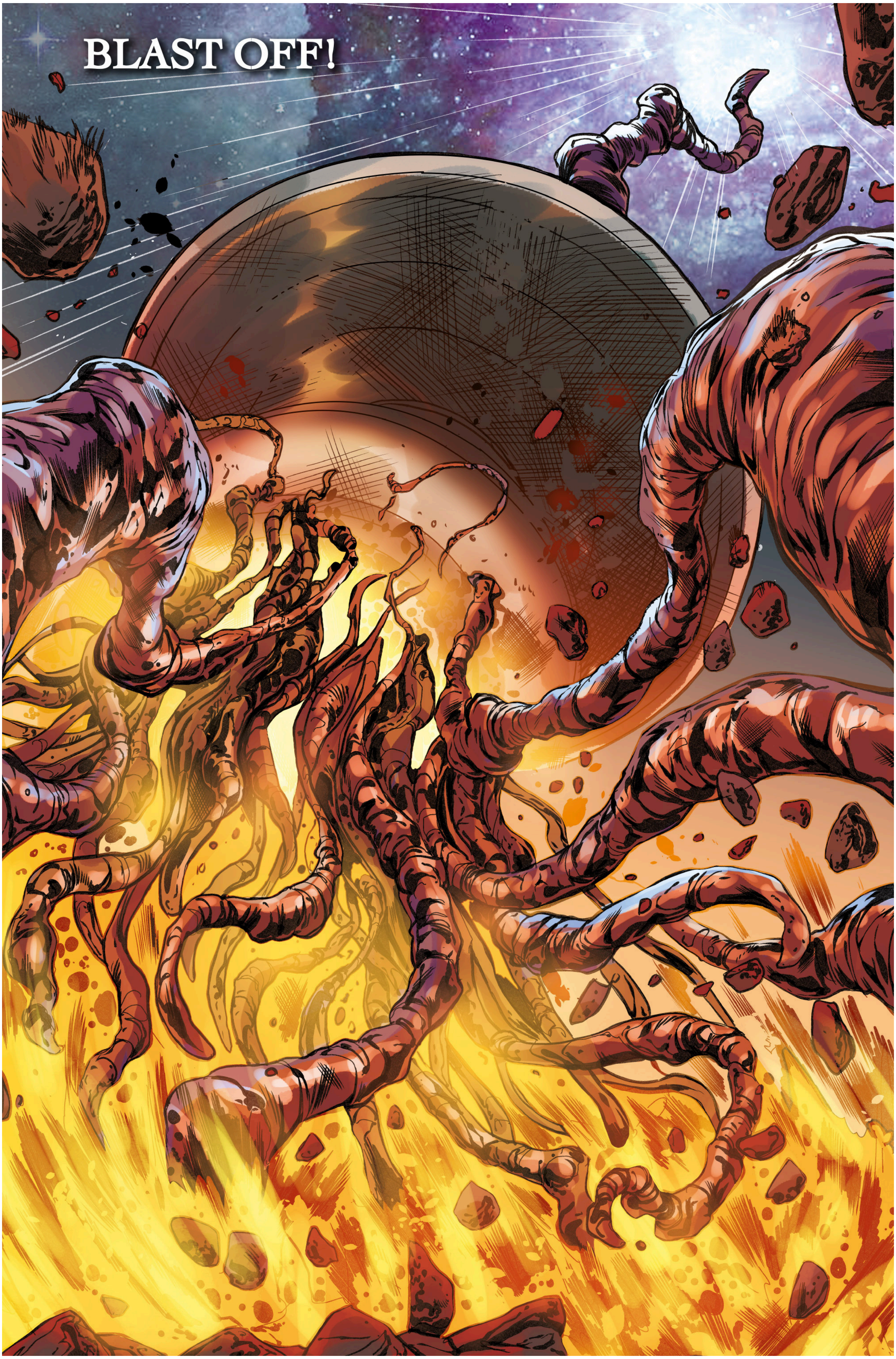

THE STRUCTURE'S TEARING ITSELF FROM THE GROUND.


THE OPSOLARIUM
IN ORBIT ABOVE MOGAR.
BAD IDEA, INDEED. THE VERVOID HYBRIDS WERE SUCKING THE LIFE FROM THE PLANET, AND OUR CAPTAINS WERE INSIDE THE STRAW...
ACTIVATE THE CHLOROBLAST!
NASTY CREATURES.


THIS ASTROLABE IS ACTIVATING THESE PODS SOMEHOW.
GOT IT. NOW LET'S GET BACK TO THE AGENCY. I MISSED BREAKFAST.
INCOMING!


WE'RE IN THE WRONG PLACE.
NO KIDDING.
WE SHOULD HAVE TRANSPORTED UP THERE... TO WHATEVER'S CREATING THAT ENERGY PULSE.
CLOSE YOUR UNIT!
S***, JACK... I CAN'T. IT'S UNDERNEATH THE VERVOID SNIPER OUTSIDE.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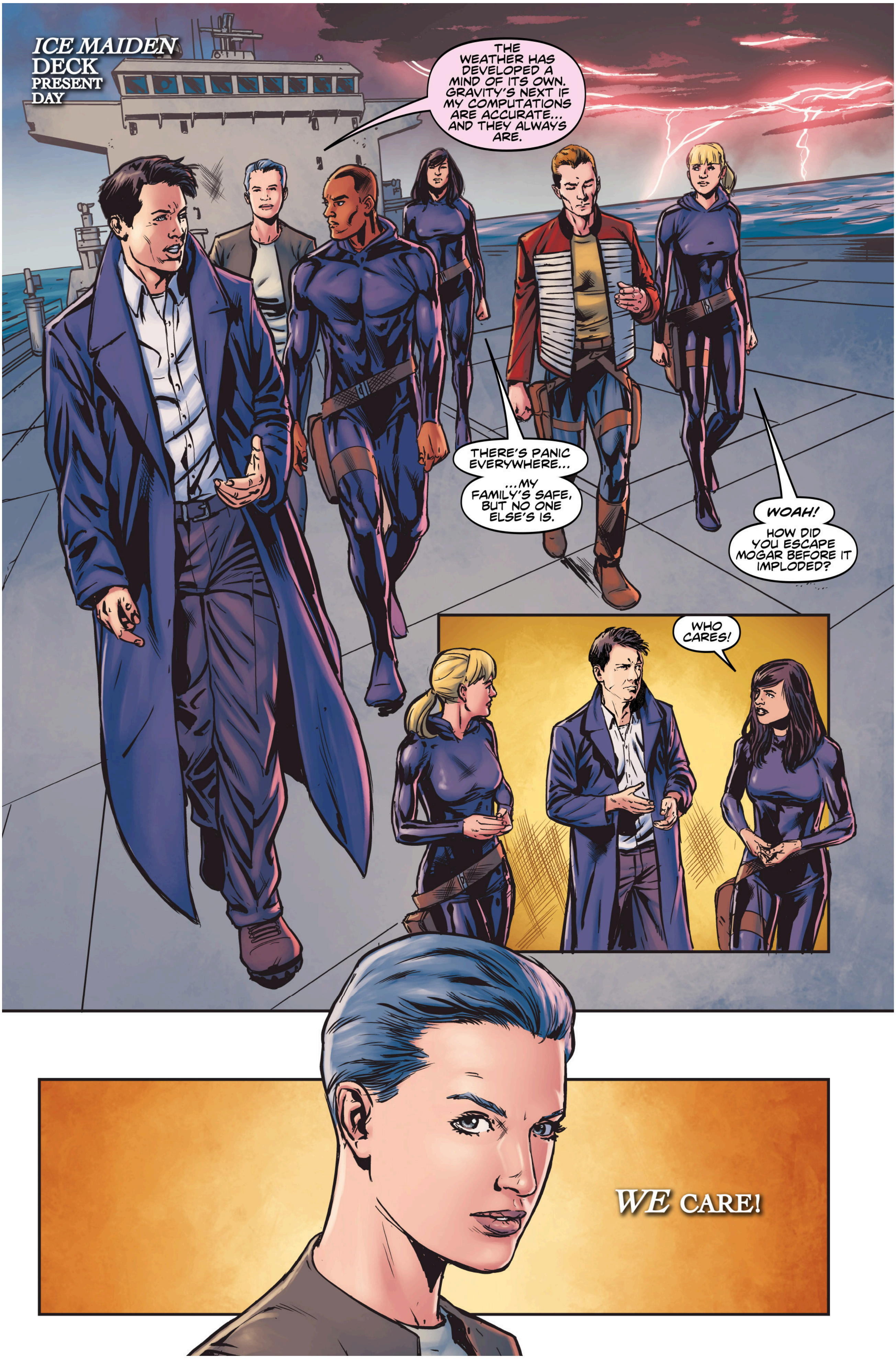
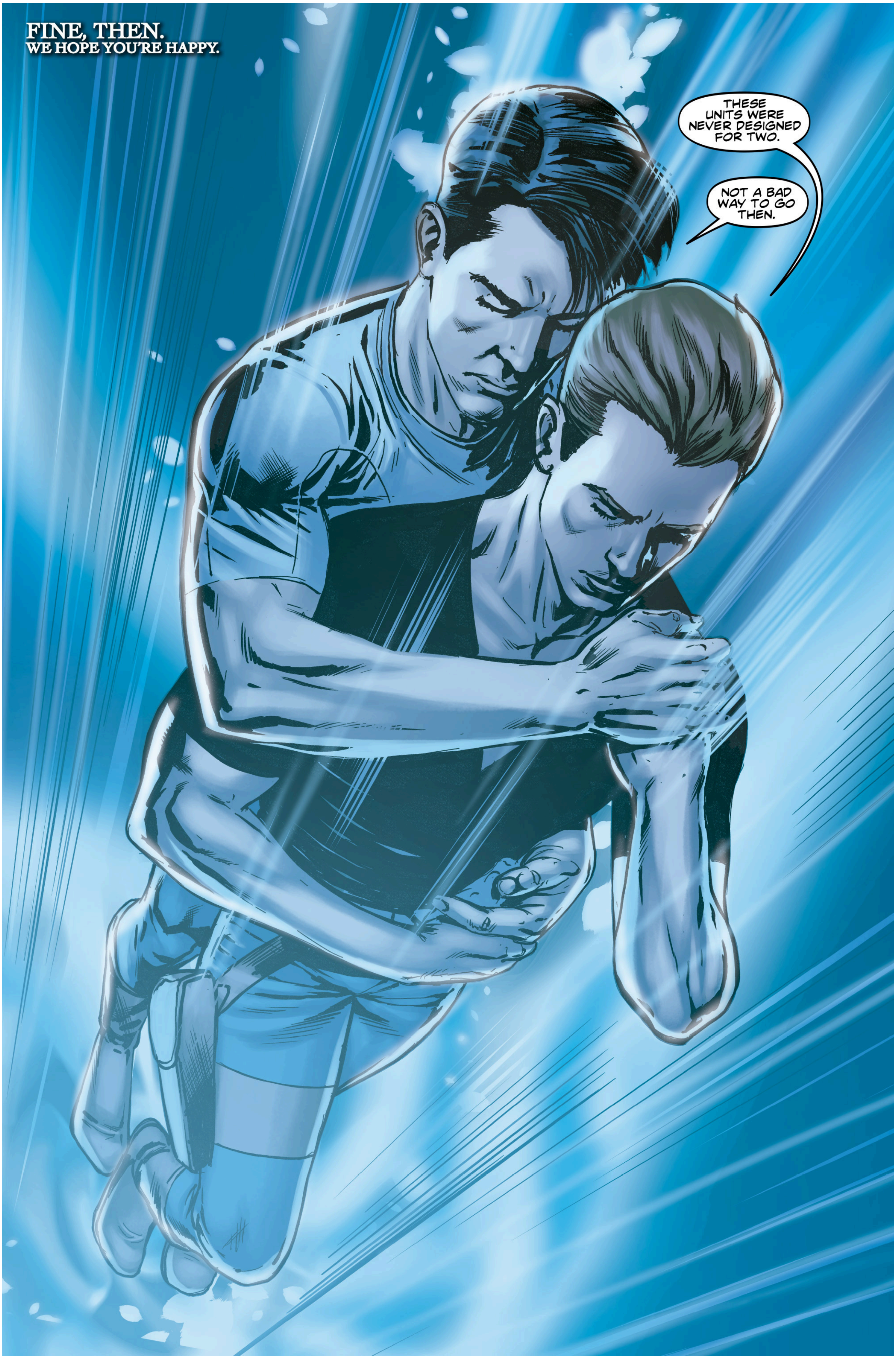
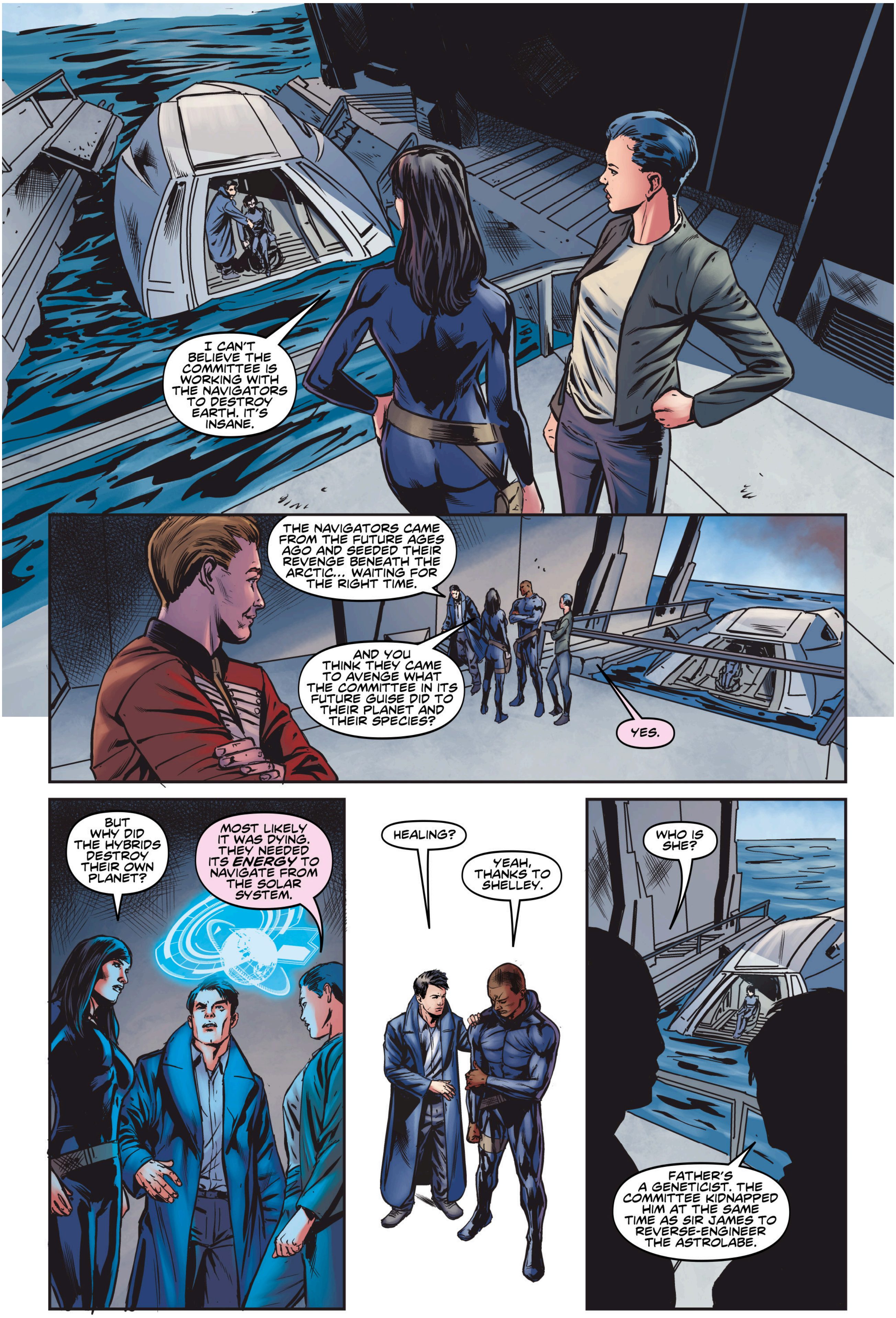
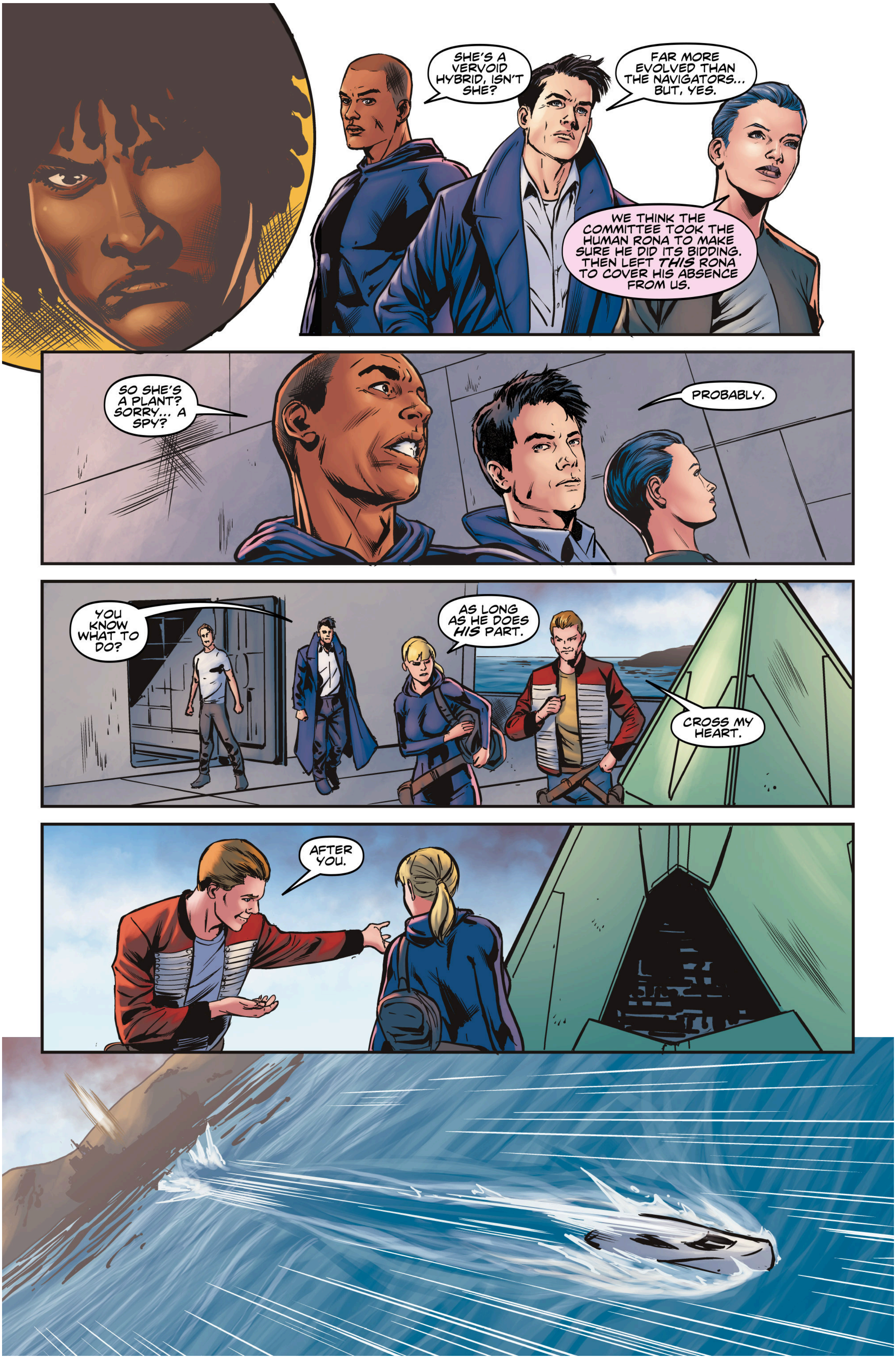
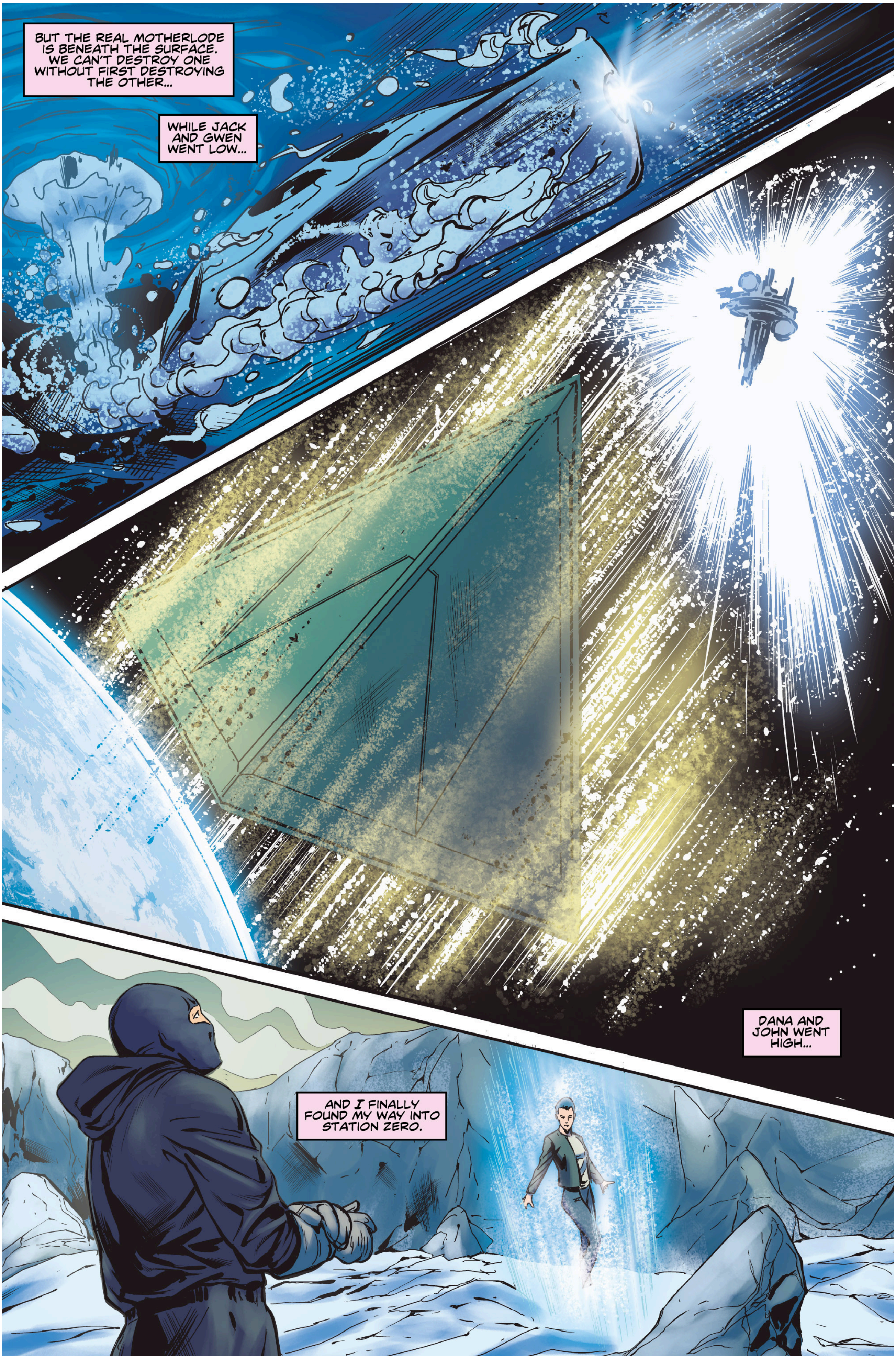
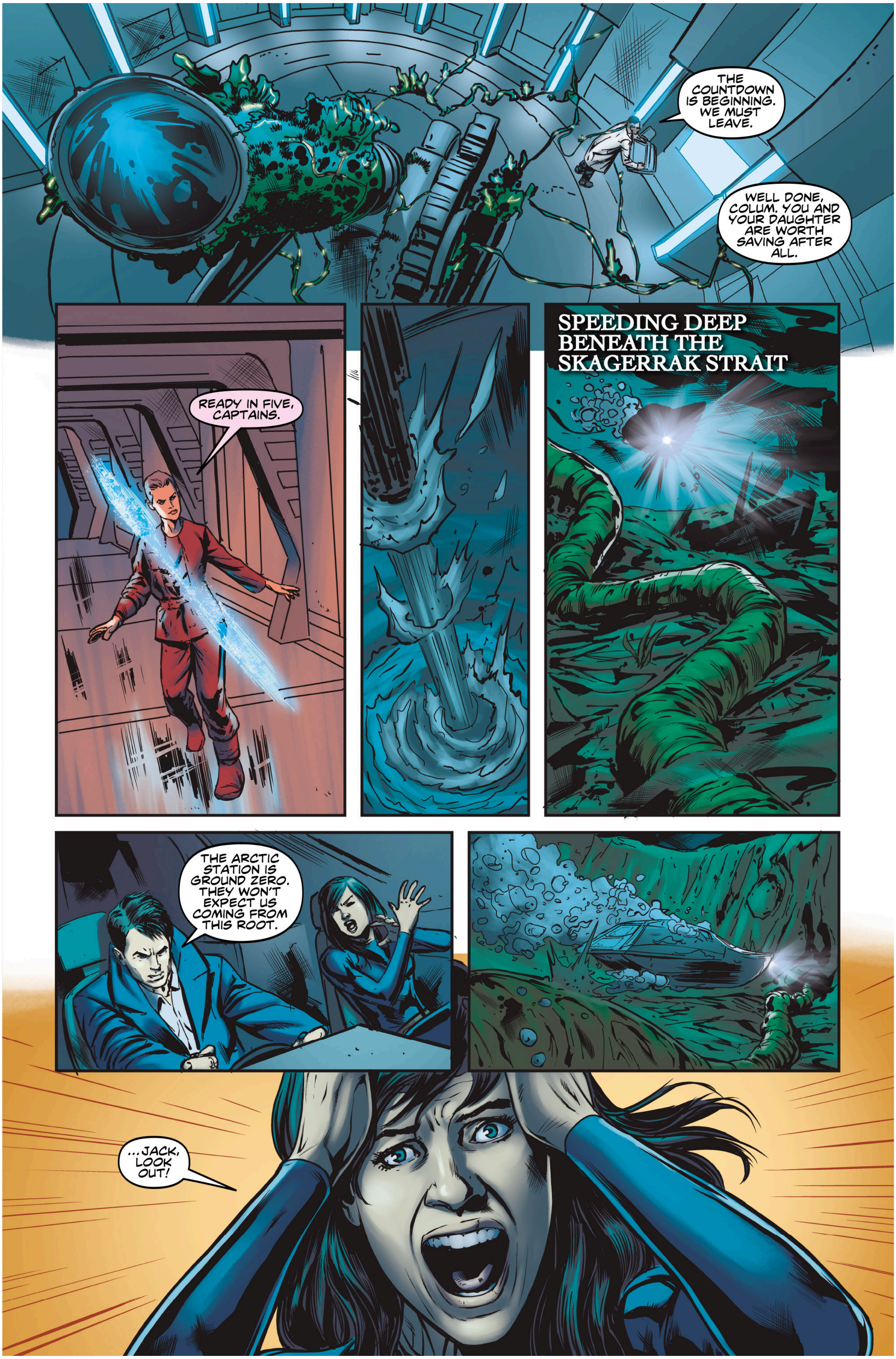

ICE MAIDEN DECK PRESENT DAY
THE WEATHER HAS DEVELOPED A MIND OF ITS OWN. GRAVITY'S NEXT IF MY COMPUTATIONS ARE ACCURATE... AND THEY ALWAYS ARE.
THERE'S PANIC EVERYWHERE...
...MY FAMILY'S SAFE, BUT NO ONE ELSE'S IS.
WOAH!
HOW DID YOU ESCAPE MOGAR BEFORE IT IMPLODED?
WHO CARES!
WE CARE!

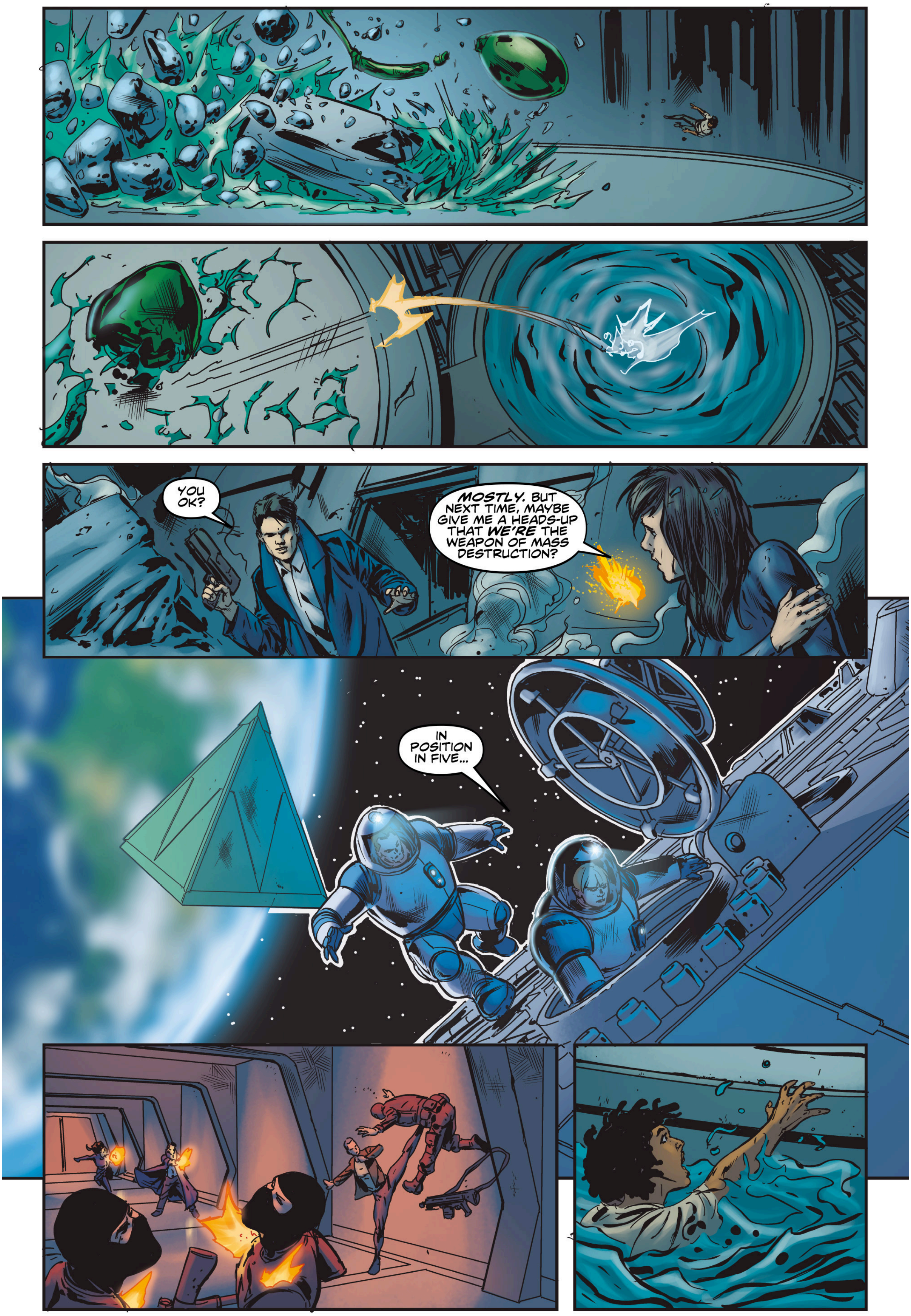

FINE, THEN.
WE HOPE YOU'RE HAPPY.
THESE UNITS WERE NEVER DESIGNED FOR TWO.
NOT A BAD WAY TO GO THEN.

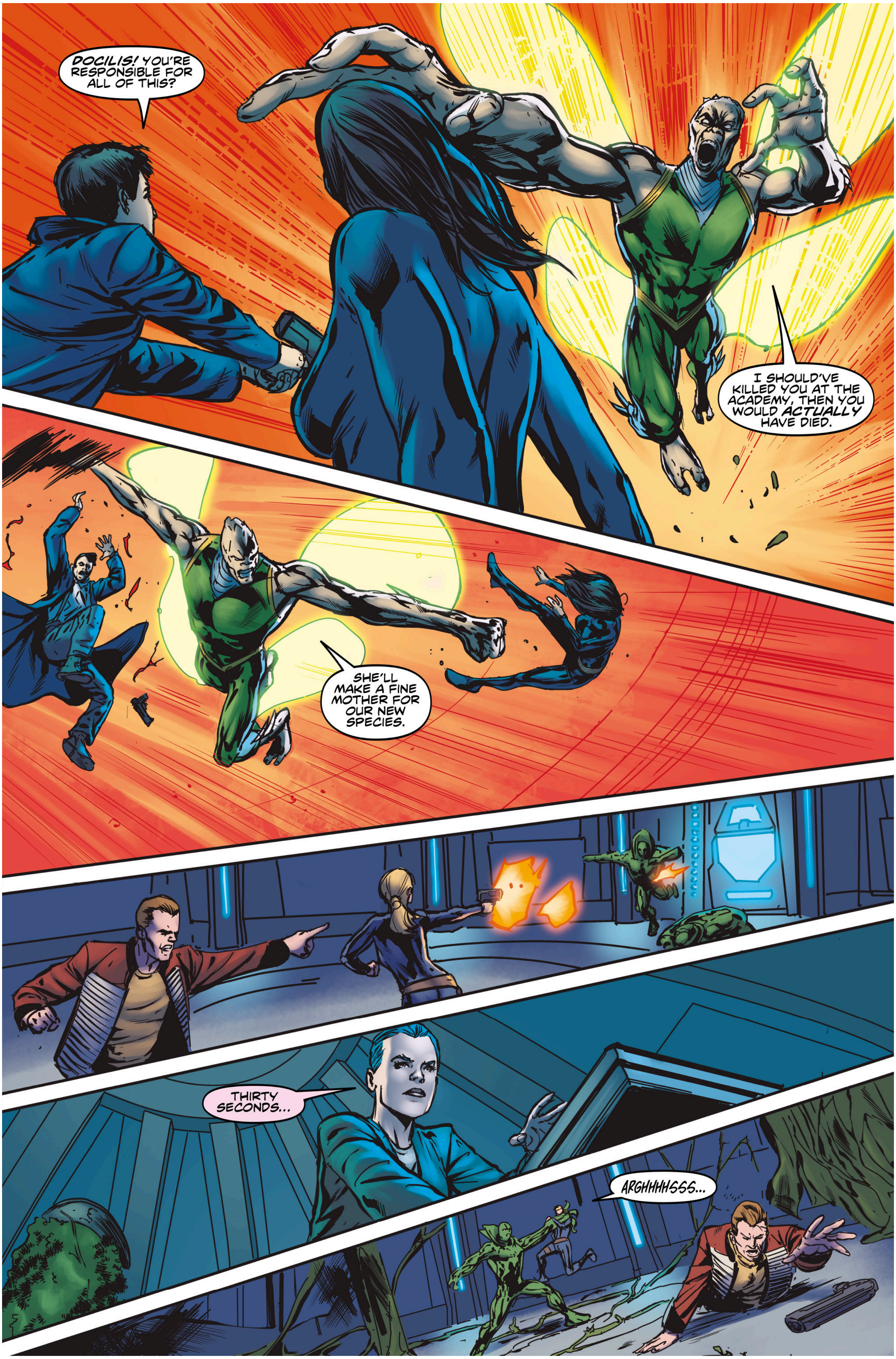

I CAN'T BELIEVE THE COMMITTEE IS WORKING WITH THE NAVIGATORS TO DESTROY EARTH. IT'S INSANE.
THE NAVIGATORS CAME FROM THE FUTURE AGES AGO AND SEEDED THEIR REVENGE BENEATH THE ARCTIC... WAITING FOR THE RIGHT TIME.
AND YOU THINK THEY CAME TO AVENGE WHAT THE COMMITTEE IN ITS FUTURE GUISE DID TO THEIR PLANET AND THEIR SPECIES?
YES.
BUT WHY DID THE HYBRIDS DESTROY THEIR OWN PLANET?
MOST LIKELY IT WAS DYING. THEY NEEDED ITS *ENERGY* TO NAVIGATE FROM THE SOLAR SYSTEM.
HEALING?
YEAH, THANKS TO SHELLEY.
WHO IS SHE?
FATHER'S A GENETICIST. THE COMMITTEE KIDNAPPED HIM AT THE SAME TIME AS SIR JAMES TO REVERSE-ENGINEER THE ASTROLABE.

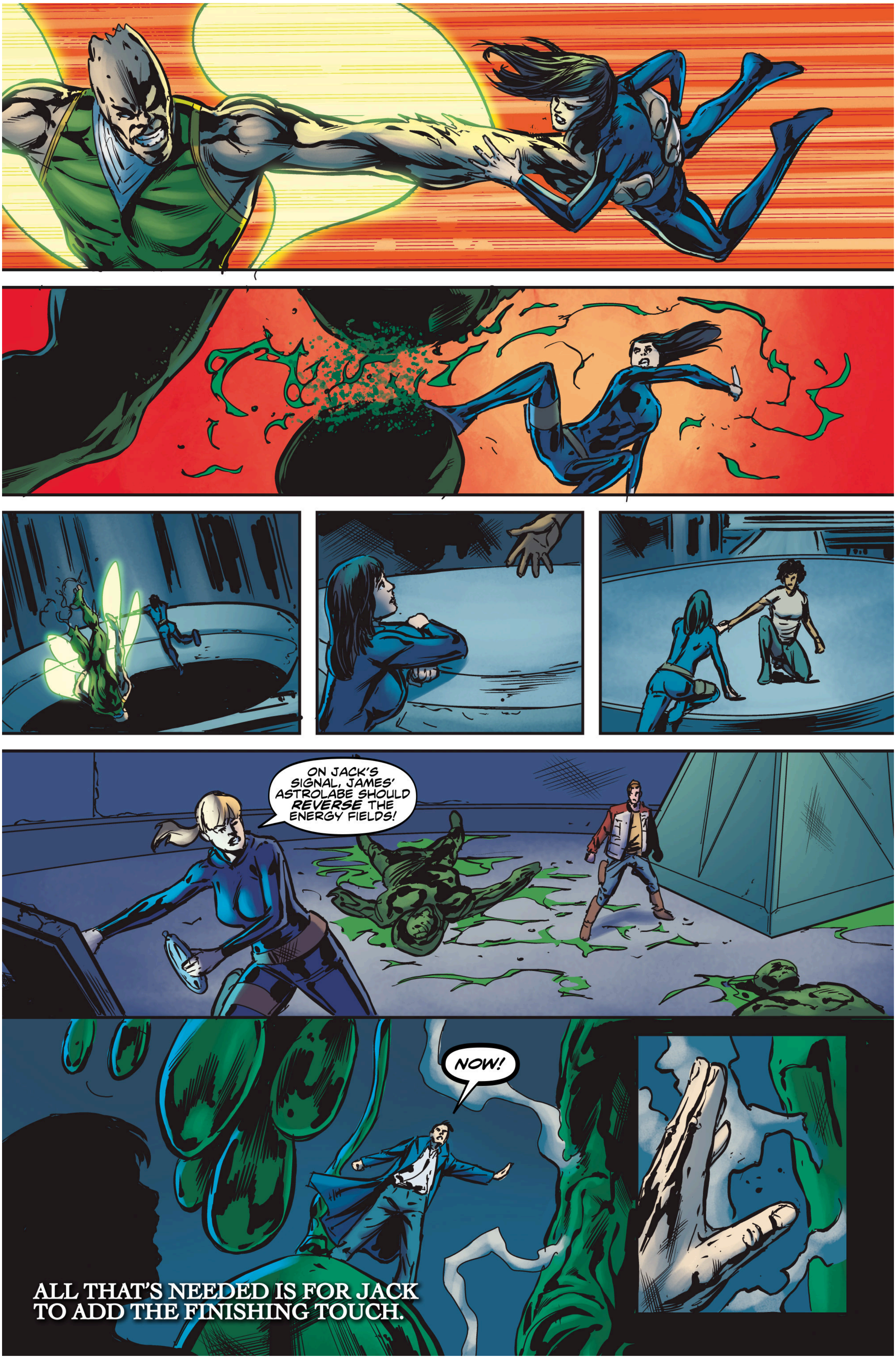

SHE'S A VERVOID HYBRID, ISN'T SHE?
FAR MORE EVOLVED THAN THE NAVIGATORS... BUT, YES.
WE THINK THE COMMITTEE TOOK THE HUMAN RONA TO MAKE SURE HE DID ITS BIDDING. THEN LEFT *THIS* RONA TO COVER HIS ABSENCE FROM US.
SO SHE'S A PLANT? SORRY... A SPY?
PROBABLY.
YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO?
AS LONG AS HE DOES *HIS* PART.
CROSS MY HEART.
AFTER YOU.

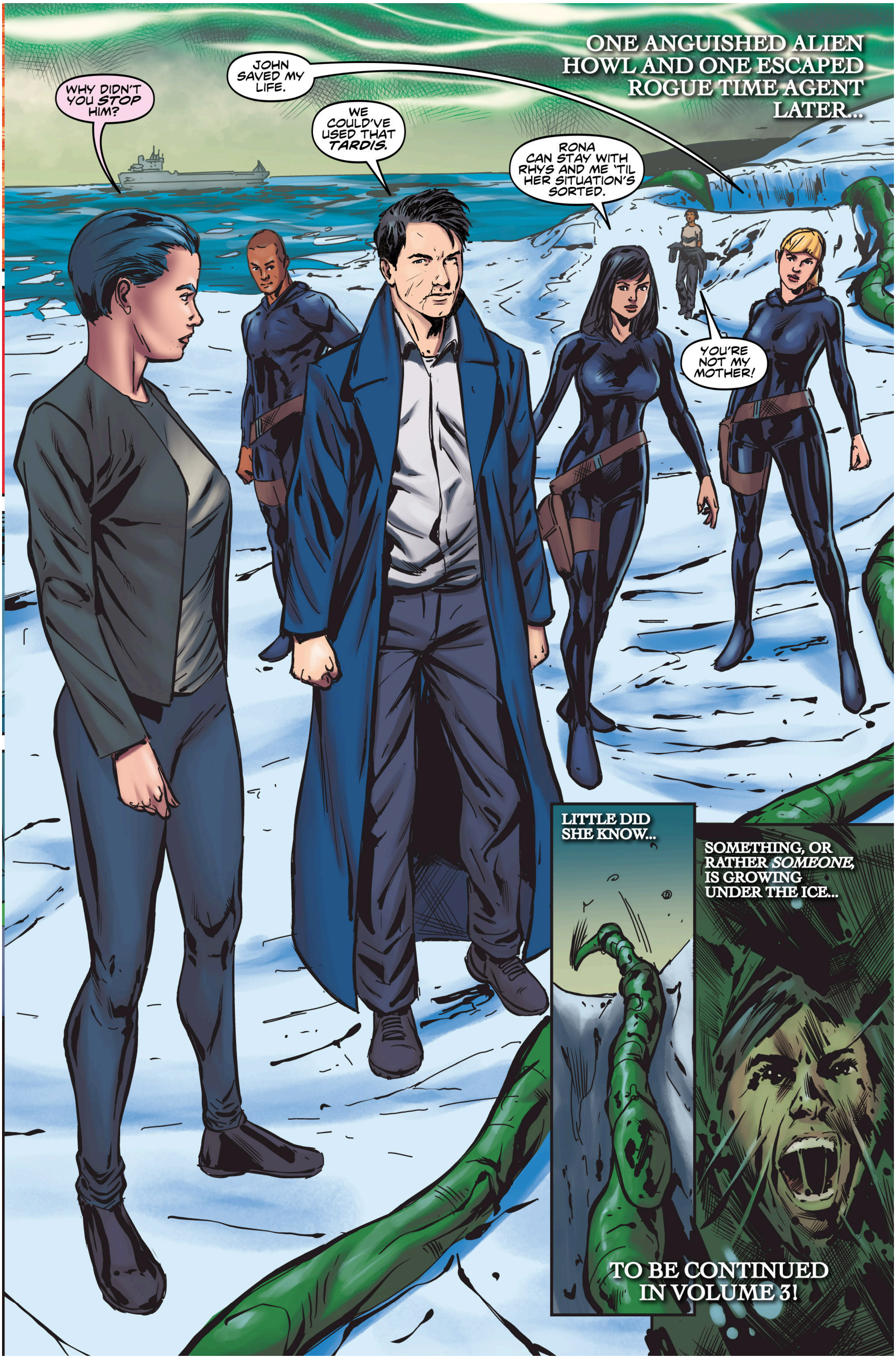

BUT THE REAL MOTHERLODE IS BENEATH THE SURFACE. WE CAN'T DESTROY ONE WITHOUT FIRST DESTROYING THE OTHER...
WHILE JACK AND GWEN WENT LOW...
DANA AND JOHN WENT HIGH...
AND *I* FINALLY FOUND MY WAY INTO STATION ZERO.


THE COUNTDOWN IS BEGINNING. WE MUST LEAVE.
WELL DONE, COLUM. YOU AND YOUR DAUGHTER ARE WORTH SAVING AFTER ALL.
READY IN FIVE, CAPTAINS.
SPEEDING DEEP BENEATH THE SKAGERRAK STRAIT
THE ARCTIC STATION IS GROUND ZERO. THEY WON'T EXPECT US COMING FROM THIS ROOT.
...JACK, LOOK OUT!


YOU OK?
MOSTLY. BUT NEXT TIME, MAYBE GIVE ME A HEADS-UP THAT *WE'RE* THE WEAPON OF MASS DESTRUCTION?
IN POSITION IN FIVE...


DOCILIS! YOU'RE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL OF THIS?
I SHOULD'VE KILLED YOU AT THE ACADEMY, THEN YOU WOULD ACTUALLY HAVE DIED.
SHE'LL MAKE A FINE MOTHER FOR OUR NEW SPECIES.
THIRTY SECONDS...
ARGHHHHSSS...


ON JACK'S SIGNAL, JAMES' ASTROLABE SHOULD *REVERSE* THE ENERGY FIELDS!
NOW!
ALL THAT'S NEEDED IS FOR JACK TO ADD THE FINISHING TOUCH.


ONE ANGUISHED ALIEN HOWL AND ONE ESCAPED ROGUE TIME AGENT LATER...
WHY DIDN'T YOU *STOP* HIM?
JOHN SAVED MY LIFE.
WE COULD'VE USED THAT *TARDIS*.
RONA CAN STAY WITH RHYS AND ME 'TIL HER SITUATION'S SORTED.
YOU'RE NOT MY MOTHER!
LITTLE DID SHE KNOW...
SOMETHING, OR RATHER *SOMEONE*, IS GROWING UNDER THE ICE...
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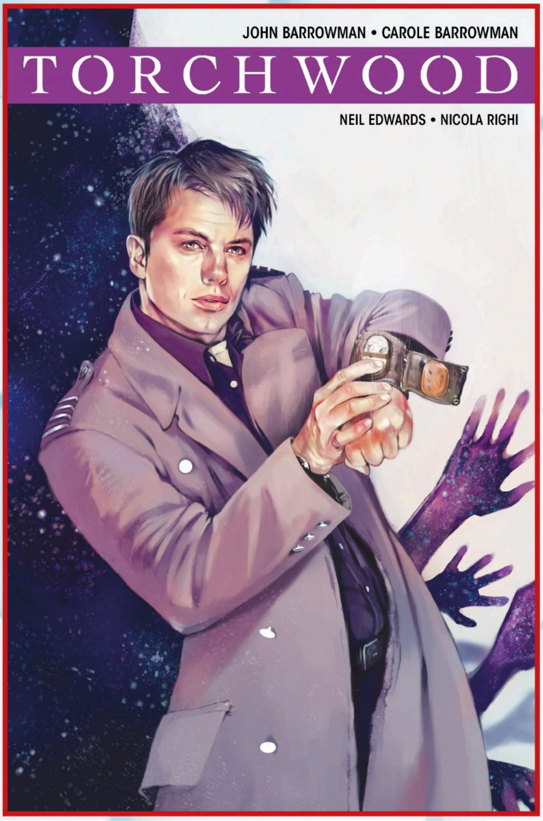
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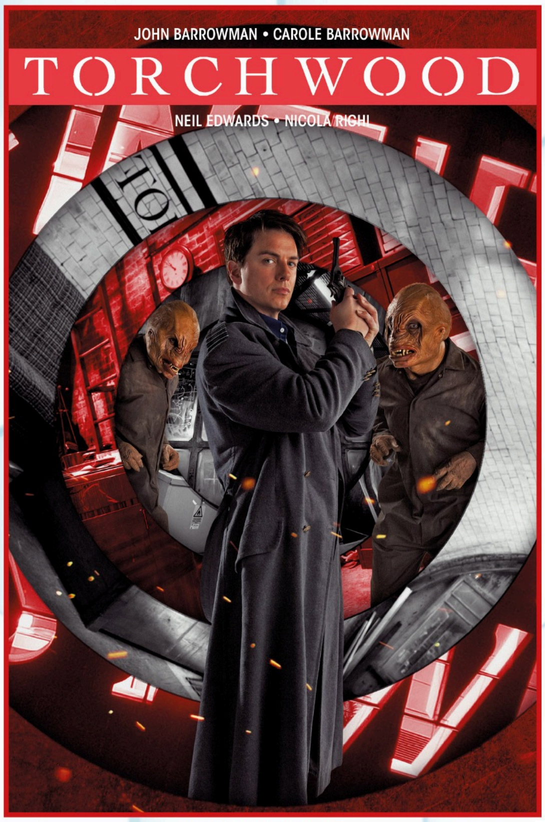
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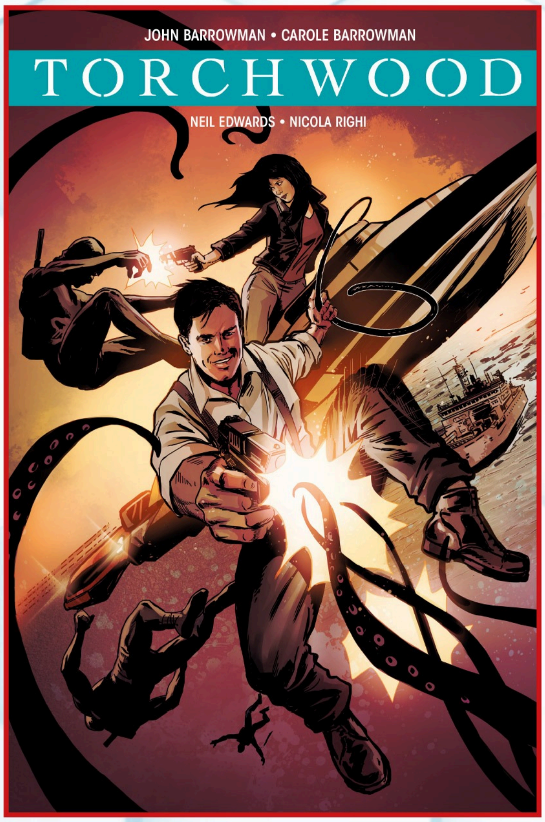
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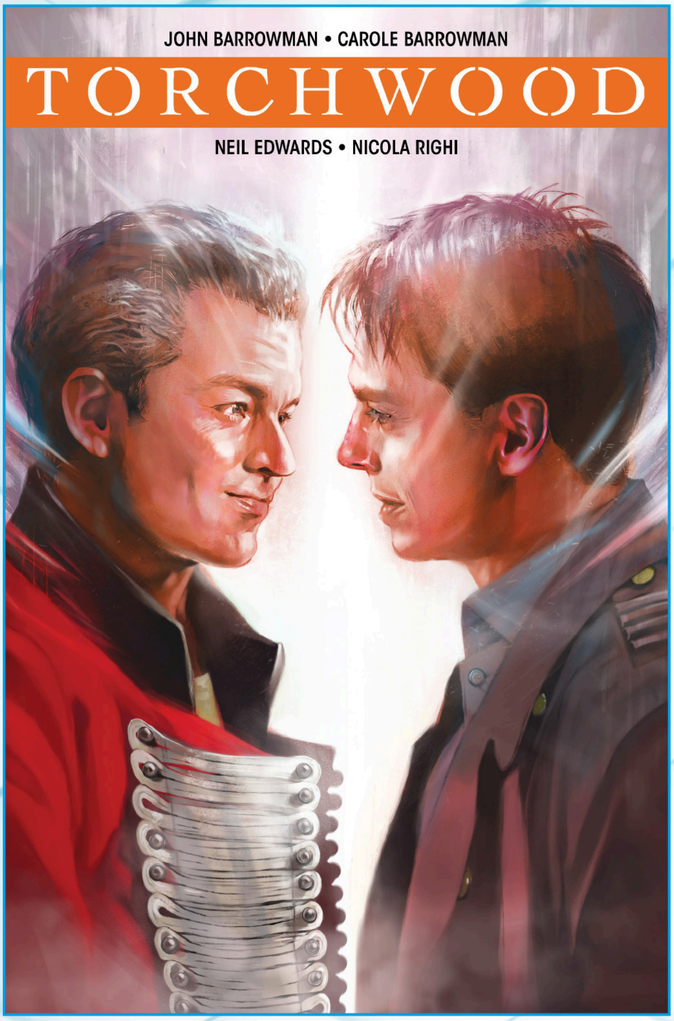
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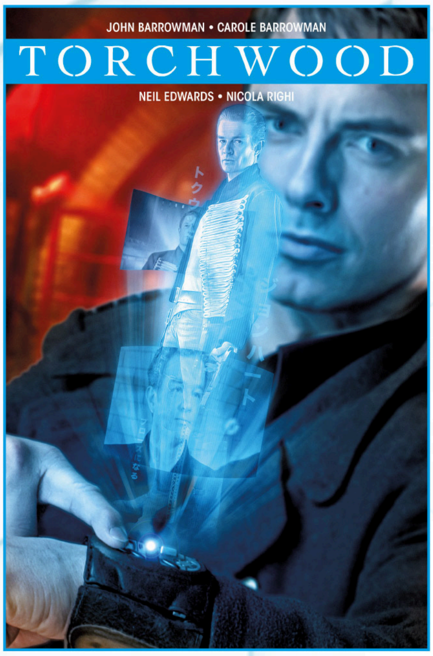
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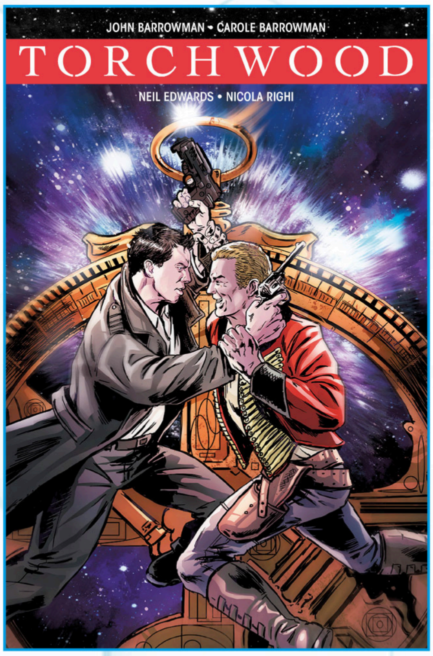
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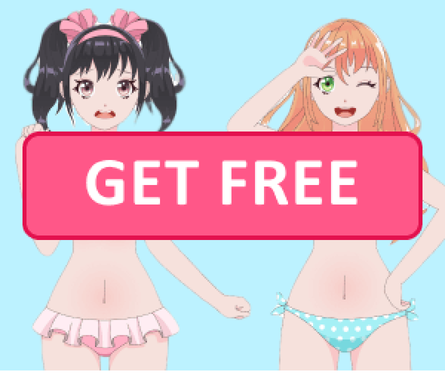

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